

IEP Coordinators agenda
Thursday August 1, 2013 – 9:00 AM - noon
DWR, 1st floor conference room 119
3500 Industrial Blvd., West Sacramento
Call-in Number: 866-764-1290 Passcode: 5000198

Agenda:

1. Consideration of Agenda; Review action items; Note good efforts (Gregg – 15 Min)
(Outcome: Agreed Upon Focus and Flow for the Meeting)

2. Standing agenda items (15 minutes total)

(Outcome: Decision/Input/discussion only where needed)

In lieu of reporting on the standing agenda items every month, the Coordinators have decided to use a written update format for August, September and Perhaps October to see if it is an effective time-saver.

DWR Contracts (Karen)

We only have 4 contracts in progress right now. 2 are from the PSP—they are at DGS for final review. The other 2 are USFWS (contract was submitted downtown this week and is under review by DWR Contracts Services Office) and CDFW (I'm reviewing your submissions tomorrow)

USBR contracts (Dave or Erwin)

- DWR-base, mod executed
- DFW-base, mod executed
- DFW-POD, extended to 12/31/13
- FWS-base, awaiting chief contracting officer signature, then goes to Denver for review (anticipate award lat August, maybe sooner)
- USGS-Flow/turbidity network, mod executed
- USGS-POD, mod executed
- Dugdale-Glibert, awarded 7/17/13
- Kudela PSP, submitted (FY2014), should be awarded by 1/1/14, probably sooner
- Hobbs and Teh awards will be sent to the UCD Sponsored Programs Office by the end of next week for review and approval.
- MacWilliams award should be sent to contracting officer for review by 8/1
- Early stages of contract to process striped bass stomachs collected during 2010-2011 gill net work.
- Wasn't able to get updates from Lenny or Rachel (vacation)

Business Practice Review (Steph)

GEI is wrapping up interviews in early August that include the IEP Directors, Coordinators, Management Team, stakeholders and others for the current state assessment of IEP business practices and development of recommendations moving forward. Lorraine White and Ron Muller are also preparing an interim memo based on initial findings from the interviews. It's likely we'll be able to share the memo with the Directors in September rather than the August 6 Directors Workshop.

SWRCB Update (Kari)

- Phase I –Still reviewing comments received from March 2013 SED Adequacy Hearing and continuing to revise Technical Report and SED as appropriate.
- Phase II- Nothing new to report. Fall workshops have not been scheduled as of this time.
- on 7-18-2013 the State Water Board submitted comments to the DSP on the Draft Delta Science

Plan.

- Also, the State Water Board has funded a ~\$56,000 project (scope of work attached) which will need to be included into the IEP work plan and reflected in the budget for this year.

DSP update (Lauren)

Not provided.

Delta RMP (Gregg)

- The TAC Co-Chairs have been selected: McCord Environmental (Stephen McCord) and USGS (Joe Domagalski)
- Funding has not been secured for the TAC Co-Chairs although Joe will start things off till September
- Next Steering Committee Meeting August 21st ; Agenda TBD
- Latest Files available at:
http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/water_issues/delta_water_quality/comprehensive_monitoring_program/index.shtml

Portal (Stephanie Fong)

The CA Estuaries Monitoring Workgroup met on Tuesday, July 23rd and the main focus of discussion was on the draft slides for the Portal launch. Most comments will be easily addressed by worker bee section leads, but there were a handful of topics that required discussion and decision amongst the larger group. The remaining topics were addressed and comments are being integrated and loaded into the CEMW website by Tuesday, July 30th. At that point, 34 North will mock up the slides. We will be meeting with Water Board staff to make arrangements for getting the mocked up pages onto the website. The CEMW will have a final look at the pages and meet on Tuesday, August 20th to fix glaring errors. Stephanie will present the finalized slides to the Monitoring Council the following week. An interactive poster abstract has been submitted for the State of the Estuary Conference, envisioned to be very similar to what was presented at the IEP Workshop. We are also preparing for training on the tools through the Water Board's Training Academy that will be sponsored by SFCWA. The training will likely be given in two months, and will have a classroom component followed by two hands-on portions in a computer lab. The two hands-on sessions will focus on EPA-Water Board-type uses and DWR-USGS-type uses. Additional trainings will be offered in the future if there is great interest.

3. Delta Conservancy (Shakoora – 15 min)

(Outcome: Options for future partnerships discussions)

Shakoora Azimi-Gaylon, Assistance Executive Officer (916) 375-2086 will join the Meeting to discuss partnership ideas with the Conservancy. This may include things related to their mission and Strategic Plan like support to address the role of invasive species or other impairments, sharing scientific information with the community, data repositories and understanding the efforts to facilitate the uplands restorations in the Delta.

http://www.deltaconservancy.ca.gov/docs/meeting_materials/june_2012/Delta_Conservancy_Strategic_Plan_Designed_20June2012.pdf

4. IEP Stakeholder Group Meeting – IEPSPG (Dave – 20 Min)

(Outcome: Late Breaking News, Finalize Agenda, Clarify Any Briefing Material)

This will be an opportunity to update the Coordinators on what will be presented at the Stakeholder Meetings and finalize the agenda. The FLASH presentation planned for this meeting

was given at the management team.

*** Insert Lenny's FLaSH Presentation or Summary here ***



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5. Strategic Plan Subgroup Update (Gregg – 25 min)

(Outcome: Decision on Revision Strategy and a Combined CT /MT Offsite)

The subgroup considered options to make progress considering the current feedback from the Directors, available information and where the expertise lies to most succinctly define the focus and its role. (e.g. What is unique about IEP and what does it do that nobody else can?). The group has suggested to have a more concise version of the latest information be drafted and shared with the Management Team and then have an offsite between the Management Team and a Subset of the Coordinators.

6. Directors' Meeting Agenda (All – 35 min)

(Outcome: Agreed Upon Revisions, Understanding of Briefing Material, Late Breaking News)



Directors Workshop
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7. Review Action Items and Follow-up (Gregg- 10 min)

(Outcome: Summarize Action Items and Decisions)